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SUBJECT: FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS IN LOCAL REACTION TO COUP

1. CITY STILL NORMAL. AIRPORT OPEN. DOMESTIC LINES FLYING
BUT TAI FLIGHTS FROM MOZAMBIQUE AND SOUTH AFRICA STAYING THERE
PENDING RE-OPENING AIRPORT IN LISBON.

2. LOCAL NEWSMAN SPOKE TO SECRETARY TO GOVGEN (WHO IS SON OF
MINISTER OF PUBLIC WORKS IN LISBON) AT 1300 GMT. SON HAD JUST
SPOKEN TO FATHER IN LISBON. MINISTER REPORTEDLY SAID ALL

MINISTERIAL COLLEAGUES CONNECTED WITH MILITARY OR SECURITY
AFFAIRS ARRESTED BY TROOPS BUT THAT HE AND OTHER "NON-SENSITIVE"
MINISTERS HAVE BEEN UNTOUCHED AND TOLD NOTHING. HE PLANNING
WAIT AT HOME UNTIL HE IS INFORMED WHAT TO DO.

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3. SAME SOURCE SAID GOVGEN WALKING TIGHTROPE NOW. GOVGEN
REMAINING ABREAST OF SITUATION IN LISBON VIA REUTERS WIRE AT
LOCAL PAPER.
BRIGGS

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